GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2244
ANSWERED ON:03.12.2001
PROCUREMENT OF OILSEEDS
SATYAVRAT CHATURVEDI;SUNDER LAL TIWARI

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have decided to procure 5 Lakh tonees of oilseeds;

(b) the estimated production of oilseeds during the current year;

(c) whether the Government propose to procure more quantity of oilseeds in case of higher production;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether the Government have announced the procurement price for oilseeds;

(f) if so, the details thereof; and

(g) if not, the time by which the procurement price of oilseeds is likely to be announced?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV)

(a): No, Sir.

(b): The targeted estimated production of Oilseeds during the current year is around 280 Lakh MTs.

(c) & (d): No, Sir. However, in case, the ruling market price of Oilseeds fall below the Minimum Support Price, the Government agencies will undertake procurement under Price Support Scheme (PSS).

(e): Yes, Sir.

(f): Government of India has announced the following Minimum Support Prices for various Oilseeds under PSS during the current year, the details are as under:-

Sl.No.	Commodity	MSP (Rs. per qtl.)
1.	Rape Seed/Mustard Seed	1200
2.	Safflower Seed	1200
3.	Groundnut (In shell)	1340
4.	Soyabean (Yellow)	885
	(Black)	795
5.	Sunflower Seed	1185
6.	Sesamum Seed	1400
7.	Niger Seed	1100
8.	Copra (Milling)	3300
	(Ball)	3550

(g): Question does not arise.